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**Remembering our friend DEEPAK
MAHTANI who was an ardent
supporter of OLS, a gifted teacher
and communicator, and
enthusiastically shaped the content of
the Mission courses.**

Called home on Easter Day, 2020.



WELCOME TO OASIS LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

Oasis Leadership School (OLS) was set up in 2014 as a Department of Oasis Church to meet its growing need for leaders. Oasis Church, Colliers Wood, SW London is a vibrant, Spirit-filled, multiracial, multi-campus church with people of all ages, from all streams of life and from over fifty nations. It carries a vision for revival, global harvest and the glory of the Lord filling the earth; and increasingly serves as an apostolic hub bringing together leaders from many different streams.

OLS is committed to training and equipping men, women and young adults who embrace the core values of this House: experiencing the Father's love, intimate friendship with Jesus, healing of the heart, character transformation and impartation of the life of the Kingdom through the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit.

We want more of Jesus' love, power, and life to be released in our lives. This posture of aligning our hearts with God's heart, word, will and purposes is an important key to seeing the river of His presence flow, and God's people reaching out as ambassadors and sons in the marketplaces of society, wherever they are and go.

Students are drawn from Oasis Church and its campuses and from churches and organisations in London and Surrey. Many find the courses helpful in deepening their discipleship, as they grow to understand who they are in Christ, what God has called them to be, do and become, and discover where their main strengths and gifts of service lie.

Our core values and courses can be found on the church's website: oasischurch.org.uk/leadership-school



Our tutors are anointed men and women who faithfully serve Oasis Church, its various campuses, and the wider body of Christ in the UK and overseas. They bring with them decades of solid ministry experience, deep love for God's people and lives that authenticate the message they teach.

OLS SHORT COURSES

LEADERSHIP 1, 2, 3 & 4

L1 - School of the Heart

This is our entry-level course. The 10-month, certificated course is designed for anyone 18 years or above wanting to invest in a period of spiritual formation or preparation for leadership (no previous leadership experience necessary) or is a newcomer to Oasis Church and wants to know what we believe.

L1 students will be required to complete monthly assignments and a 20-hr placement as part of their study.



MODULES	
Foundations & the Word of God	Personal integrity and integrity in ministry
The Holy Spirit / The Father	Priorities, balance & character
Hearing God's Voice: how does God speak to us today?	Growing into Wholeness
Introduction to healing of the heart	Headship & destiny
How to have breakthroughs in finances / Growing in holiness	Doing relationship well: Godly sexuality & family life

L2 - School of Leadership Development

This course is for those already in some form of leadership in the church, workplace, business, or other setting who want to further develop their core skills and a deeper understanding of their call and gifting. The certificated course runs over 10 months, and students will be required to submit monthly work as well as be part of a Peer Mentoring Group (20hrs) throughout their training commitment.

MODULES	
Call and commitment to Leadership: What has God called me to be and do?	Helping people grow as Disciples and Leaders
Understanding who I am: SHAPE (All day training)	Managing Time, Resources and Finances
Leading with Courage and Humility	Administration and Project Management
Understanding Teams and working with them	Leading and Managing Change
Discerning, communicating, casting & implementing Vision	Staying the Course and building Strong Foundations

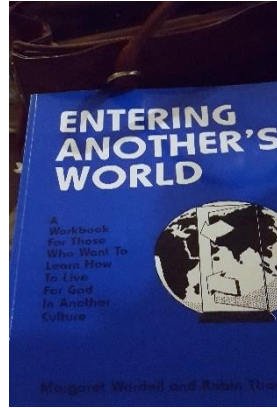
'I learned it's okay to be a generalist! We are all unique in our calling and giftings ... I enjoyed the project planning a lot and will be using this approach to plan something I have had in mind for a long time.'



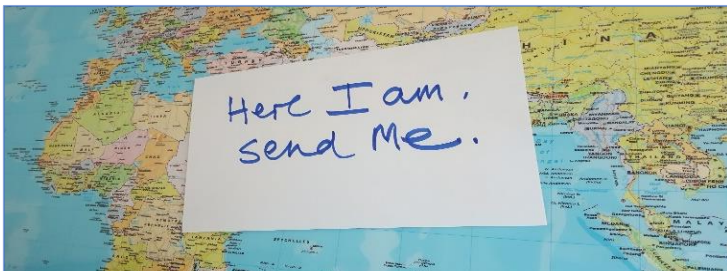
L2 student
March 2022

L3 - School of Mission

This is our newest course - for people who sense a call to serve the Lord in local or overseas mission or church planting, short or long term, and who would like to explore what it means to invest in cultures different from their own and see the world through a radically different lens. The certificated course runs over 10 months, with monthly assignments and a Missions elective a mandatory part of training.



MODULES	
Understanding Culture and Cross-cultural Communication	Skills, Training and Community Empowerment
Local and Global Mission	Team building, Communication and Conflict
God's Heart for Mission	Preparing to Go: Practical and Spiritual Considerations
Overview of the Missionary Movement	Mission Projects, Planning and Set-up
Prayer, Intercession and Spiritual Warfare for Nations	Transformation and Legacy of Mission



L4 - ILSOM (International Leaders' School of Ministry)

This is a 5-day intensive School of the Heart for anyone involved in any area of ministry in Oasis Church and its campuses. Nigel & June Hamilton have taught the ILSOM for 20 years and seen many lives transformed. It provides an opportunity to take time out from the intensity of ministry and daily responsibilities of life. It takes place once every couple of years and is widely advertised.

CORE SUBJECTS INCLUDE	
Hearing the voice of God for oneself	Living in rest
The nurturing heart of the Father	Healing of heart wounds through forgiveness and repentance
Living as Sons instead of Orphans	Abba's unconditional Love
The power of the Cross	Man and Woman in Christ
Prophecy	The effect of generational curses and generational iniquity
Breaking bondages including soul ties and inner vows	Restoring relationships



'The ILSOM has been created as an oasis where the Lord can restore, renew, and refresh you. You can soak in the Father's loving presence while He renews your passion and vision for Himself and the call He has on your life.'

LEADERSHIP 1, 2 & 3 COURSES

L1, L2 & L3 courses are rolled out each year from **January-November**, with a break during August. Courses consist of 60 (or 65) study hours:

- 20 hours of teaching (25 hours for L2 course)
- 20 hours of personal study in the form of monthly homework assignments
- 20 hours of practical placement.

Classes involve face-to-face teaching and groupwork **one Saturday per month (usually 3rd Saturday), from 10.00am - 12noon**. Students will be assessed based on attendance (a maximum of 3 authorised absences is allowed), submission of monthly assignments and the completion of a practical placement (L1), Peer Group Mentoring (L2) or mission, outreach, or church planting (L3).

All classes are mandatory. Students are required to meet the timelines for course work submission and give adequate notice of absence where necessary.

2024 TERM DATES

L1, L2 & L3 COURSES	
Saturday 20th January	Saturday 15th June
Saturday 17th February	Saturday 6th July (1st Saturday)
Saturday 16th March	Saturday 21st September
Saturday 20th April	Saturday 19th October
Saturday 18th May	Saturday 16th November

OLS WORKSHOPS

W1 - ACTIVE LISTENING COURSE

The practical workshop (3.5 hours) is designed to deepen understanding of what good listening is and what happens when we do not listen. Written to support mentors working with mentees in the church and marketplace, it seeks to give individuals an appreciation of what builds rapport.

By the end of the workshop, attendees will have the expertise required to facilitate a good experience for the mentee and have gained confidence to take these new skills back into mentoring and other relationships.



W2 - BOUNDARIES COURSE



The practical workshop (3.5 hours) seeks to provide a basic overview of what boundaries are, how they operate, and the importance of setting healthy boundaries for our relationships. It also gives guidance in what boundaries should be established from the start of any mentoring relationship.

By the end of the workshop attendees will have a better understanding of their need for having good boundaries, be empowered to articulate their legitimate needs within relationships, and be encouraged to utilise these skills in everyday life.

W3 - INTRODUCTION TO MENTORING COURSE

The practical workshop (3.5 hours) is designed to introduce the concept as a model for Christian discipleship and show that everyone can mentor at least one other person. It looks at what mentoring is and why it works; the skills, qualifications and character required to be a mentor, and how the mentoring relationship can work both for the mentor and the mentee as an informal partnership.



By the end of the course attendees will have a better understanding of what we mean by mentoring, see how it might work in a church context, and get a vision for how they might use their practical skills and experience as tools to develop others.

W4 - PREPARING FOR MISSION COURSE



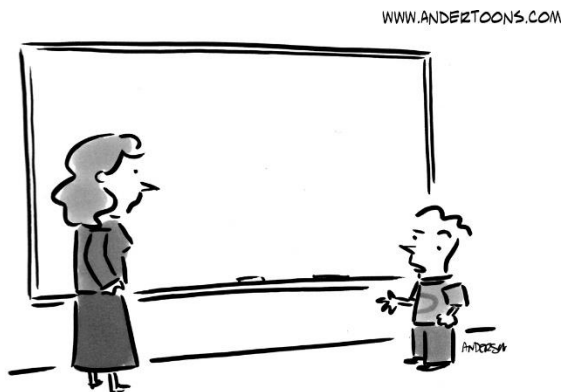
Photograph taken at a Kyrgyzstan orphanage

The 2-day workshop is designed for anyone planning to undertake a short-term local or overseas mission trip. Hands-on and accessible, it covers every angle of preparation: spiritual, cross-cultural, team, ministry, logistical, financial and re-entry.

Mission trips serve to open our eyes to our own and other cultures, helping us see God's world through His eyes, and develop cultural sensitivity to people of other races, faiths, and none. We encourage everyone to go on at least one!

W5 - SAFEGUARDING COURSE

The practical workshop (3.5 hours) is mandatory training for all working with children, youth, and adults at risk. It explores how data protection, confidentiality, and safeguarding work together in keeping people safe. It covers accountability, safe recruiting, lone working, dynamic risk assessments, what to do when things go wrong, and how to do things well.



"Before I write my name on the board, I'll need to know how you're planning to use that data."

Short courses are offered at various times through the year to meet specific learning needs and are advertised on a first-come, first-served basis. Sign-up is normally via Churchsuite.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHERE ARE COURSES LOCATED?

All courses are taught on the main campus of Oasis Church, Colliers Wood, London SW19 2EA. The nearest Tube station is Colliers Wood (Northern Line). Class information is given in the Student Handbook.

WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

The course is designed as a Level 3 qualification (A Level or Access Level) and no previous qualifications are required to join our courses, but you must be aged over 18 years. However, we do ask you to have a teachable spirit and to commit to regular attendance. A willingness to be known for who you are, the ability to listen to others, a desire to be used by God, and openness to being accountable are desirable.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

There is currently a fee of £50 per course for Oasis Church family - however the Church invests in each student to the tune of an estimated £200 per person per year. In recognition of this, a solid commitment to attend the whole course and to engage fully with all aspects of the programme is expected, including assignments and placement.

There is a reduced fee of £100 for OLS L1, L2 & L3 courses for applicants from other churches or organisations.

Cheques or transfers should be made payable to 'Oasis Church, Colliers Wood', Sort Code 60-24-06 Account Number 87497190 using your name and OLS as a reference.

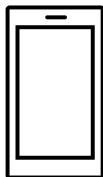
HOW DO I APPLY?

Applications forms and course information can be obtained from the Principal or the Course Administrator.

ols@oasischurch.org.uk or from:

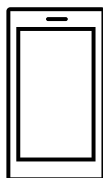
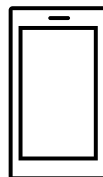
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WHAT PAST STUDENTS THOUGHT



"I loved getting the chance to do OLS! It helped me gain new skills in understanding myself and others and how teams work. Ministry is a complex and wonderful thing to be part of. The more one can learn and gain understanding in the things of God while doing it alongside with others is an utter joy. I would recommend this to everyone, as your relationship with God will grow from this and you will learn skills that will help you in every aspect of your life. The teachers are wonderful, and every Module was transformational. Don't miss out, jump in, you won't regret it!"

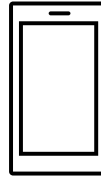
"I think, looking back, prior to starting OLS I had a lot of head knowledge. OLS helped me both to ground that knowledge in practice (ie especially in the placement), and also deepen my heart response. We were required to journal our thoughts and feelings after each Module, and this process helped me to recognise the reasons behind my reactions. The Holy Spirit filled teaching was rich food; and this, together with the opportunities for informal discussion, and supportive and encouraging feedback, has strengthened me in many areas."



"Since the completion of OLS, I have changed job roles and now work as a Leadership and Capability Consultant which has provided me with the opportunity to influence the professional development of leaders at all levels within my organisation. Through OLS, God has enlarged my territory within the realm of leadership and given me wisdom to incorporate His principles in a secular environment, lead on key developments on thought leadership and impact leaders of the

future. I am grateful to God, Florence and the OLS team for an inspiring and life-changing programme."

"OLS was a wonderful opportunity for me to learn godly leadership qualities. It further afforded me a unique opportunity to share the experience with my husband, as we gained further insight into each other's strengths and weaknesses. I have also formed some lovely friendships and prayer partners. A significant learning experience was understanding that our purpose in life is not about our professions, or even about the relationships with our family and friends. Rather, it is to live our lives, in all areas, in such a way that Christ is reflected in everything we do."



OLS TUTORS



Mark Abernethy

CertHE, DipTh

Mark has been married to Kathy for 38 years and has three grown-up children, enjoys skiing in the mountains, cycling around his local park and cooking the occasional meal for family & friends. He has a heart to engage, encourage and exhort people to become passionate followers of Jesus Christ. The ministry called *feetfirst* aims to do this through preaching, teaching, and prophetic ministry events. See www.feetfirst.com for more information.

Ancil Adrian-Paul

BA, MSc, PhD

Ancil was born in Guyana and baptised at the age of 17. She served as an evangelist in her home country and has engaged in evangelism work in the UK. Her focus now is intercession and mission. A longstanding member of Oasis church, she has participated in Oasis mission trips to Africa and Europe. Mission seems to be a natural extension of her professional work for various organisations across the globe.



Matthew Afolabi

Matthew and wife Deborah have been members of Oasis Church for over 15 years. They both work in the IT industry and are blessed with three daughters: Damilola, Esther and Anna. They have true servant hearts. Deborah serves as part of the worship team and Matthew has responsibility for overseas missions and helps with pastoring the church plant in Epsom.

Kay & Shola Ali

MSc, CCIE / MBA

Kay was ordained as a minister in 1985 after completing training at Christ Ministries (now CCBM) and was a Telematics Consultant to Vodafone until 2018. Shola is a finance and global business services professional as well as a music artist. Together they pastor the Oasis church plant in Walton-on-Thames, and they support mission and missionaries in France, Portugal, Poland, Brazil and Africa. They have two adult children.



Ian & Judy Berle

MA, MPhil

Ian and Judy are founder members of Oasis Church. Judy is a retired District Nurse. Ian is a retired NHS Clinical Photographer and Medical Illustration manager. He has a Cert HE in Theology, MA's in Bioethics and Privacy Law, and a MPhil for his work on Face Recognition Technology. Ian is a member of the Eldership Team and a Director of the Oasis Church Trust. They have one adult son.

Kathy Clements

BEd

Kathy and husband Tim have been at Oasis for over 20 years, serving on the Eldership team for most of it. They love spending time in God's presence and meditating on His word. Kathy is a staff member, responsible for children's work and for supervising Oasis church interns. She enjoys birdwatching and as she is a Cornish woman, loves going back to Cornwall. They have five grown-up children and twelve grandchildren.





Stuart & Margaret Finn

FRICS / BSc, CELTA

Stuart's working career was in Construction, latterly including Oasis building projects, and Margaret taught biology. They are passionate for people to experience the Father's love and intimacy, hear His voice, receive freedom and healing of their hearts and walk in their God-given identity. They have received training and ministry in all these areas, including *Restoring the Foundations*, *Bethel Sozo*, *HeartSync* and *Fatherheart Ministries*. They have two adult children and two grandchildren.

Valerie Gillam

LLB

Having known the Lord for over 50 years, Valerie's heart is to teach and help others to know God intimately - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - in truth and in spirit. She was ordained in Canada. Valerie was a lawyer for 20 years before serving in the revival in Toronto. Her primary responsibility was to lead, train and equip the Ministry Team there who prayed for literally millions of people.



Nigel & June Hamilton

BSc, MEd, ARCS / BEd

Nigel and June were brought up in the Open Brethren, in the North of England and India respectively, and met as students in London. After five years in Electronics Research Nigel became a teacher. The family spent five years in Lushington School, India, then both continued to work professionally in Education, including teacher training and professional development. Since 1998, they have focused on training and ministering to pastors and leaders in over 20 countries.

Mark & Diana Jeffery

DipEd / DipEd

Mark has been a headteacher, author, publisher, film maker and pastor. Diana founded the first Christian Au Pairs in the UK while holding down the post of assistant headteacher, writing and being a full-time mum. In 2007 the Lord took them through a journey of losing everything - jobs, reputation, and money - and revived the call to walk by faith and carry revival fire to the nations. They have 6 children and 12 grandchildren.



Florence Joseph

BA, BD, MA

For her entire adult life Florence has moved between the nations, the church and the marketplace, inspiring people from all walks of life to live their best lives, pouring out to others what God has poured into them. She currently oversees Oasis Leadership School, works in Administration, and exercises a teaching ministry at home and abroad. She has been part of Oasis Church since 2005.

Celia Mahtani

BSc

Celia is a British Asian and came to Christ from a Hindu background. She has retired from teaching English to refugees and asylum seekers but still does some private tutoring. She also volunteers for several charities and has worked with children, youth and women. Her calling is to inspire hope in those who feel they have lost everything using *BethelSozo*, intercession and prophetic prayer to set people free. She has 2 married sons and 2 grandchildren and joined Oasis Church in 2013.





Duncan & Jilly Moass

LLB / BA, PGDip/MusTy

Duncan and Jilly have been part of Oasis Church since it was planted in 1990. Duncan is a lawyer and senior manager at the Crown Prosecution Service and has served on the Eldership team for over 20 years. Jilly is a music therapist and systemic practitioner in the NHS. They both oversee the worship ministry at Oasis, as well as marriage and parenting support and resources. They have two married children, and one grandchild.

Sam & Grace Onyenuforo

Pastors

Sam Onyenuforo has pastored Oasis Church (a Baptist and Partners in Harvest church) since 2002. An anointed teacher who cherishes the manifest presence of the Holy Spirit, he is married to Grace who shares Sam's ministry and heads up Procurement in two South London Universities. They have a passion to see God's people increase in intimacy with God, and the whole church raised up to carry His presence wherever they go. They have 5 adult children.



Catherine Roux

PGDip/Phty (MCSP)

Catherine received a powerful revelation of the unconditional love of Jesus and was baptised in the Holy Spirit at the age of 9. Studying Physiotherapy as a tool for sharing God's love in the developing world, she has served the poor in El Salvador, in Mozambique with Iris Ministries (Rolland & Heidi Baker) and in Haiti. Her legacy includes a pioneer feeding programme, ministry to boys on the streets, community logistics assistance, and university lecturing.

Angela Seaton-Mills

BSc

After 30 years in education, finishing her career as a headteacher Angela was invited to become a chaplain on the Lee Abbey International Christian Community Devon, teaching and ministering to a large community and guests for six years. She has led national prayer ministry teams, and now works as a spiritual director and a therapist specialising in trauma, accredited with UKCP and ACC. She holds several diplomas and a BSc.



Judith Searle

RGN, RSCN

Judith joined Oasis Church in 2001 and has been a part of the Church's teaching team for 15 years. She has a deep love for the Word of God and is passionate to impart its life and truth to others. Judith qualified as a Registered General Nurse and Registered Sick Children's Nurse in 1986. She spent her entire career in Children's Services, latterly as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in Paediatric Asthma and gaining her qualification as an Independent Nurse Prescriber in 2005. She retired from the NHS in 2018.



Bev Shepherd

BA

Bev has enjoyed being a member of Oasis for sixteen years. She is a qualified coach (EMCC Senior Practitioner) and management trainer, specialising in the areas of leadership, team dynamics and stress resilience. As project leader for PrayerWorks (an LICC initiative) her aim is to motivate, encourage and equip Christians to pray in and for their workplaces. Her idea of fun: walking with friends, kayaking, and playing board games.

Emma Sunzu-Ardley

GDip/Mgmt; PRINCE 2®

Emma is a graduate in management studies with extensive experience in project management and policy development. She currently works for NHS England and NHS Improvement within Strategic Finance as policy lead for innovation, with specific responsibilities for developing payment policies and guidance that support adoption and spread of innovation across healthcare systems in England. She is passionate about helping less privileged people and showing compassion to people irrespective of their background and belief. Oasis has been her church home for many years.



Brenda Williams

BA, CBS

Brenda is married to Rhonel, and they have been part of Oasis Church since 2014. They both trained at Christ for the Nations, in Jamaica. They were released into ministry in 1992 and left the UK to serve in the Caribbean, where they established churches in Dominica, Guyana, and Guadeloupe over an eighteen-year period. In 2016, they were released by Apostolic Movement International (South Africa) into apostolic and prophetic ministry in the nations. Both feel called to a ministry of reconciliation. They have 3 adult children.



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